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Serial No: 09/808,641

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For: DRIVE, METHOD FOR READING DATA, INFORMATION RECORDING  
MEDIUM REPRODUCTION APPARATUS, AND METHOD FOR REPRODUCING  
DATA

LETTER

Box Missing Parts  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts which was mailed  
April 24, 2001, copy enclosed.

The notice indicated that the inventor's Declaration was missing. In  
response, please find enclosed a fully executed inventor's Declaration.

The notice also indicated that the statutory basic filing fee was missing. In response, please find enclosed a check for the basic filing fee.

Also enclosed is an Assignment along with an Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet for the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request recordation of the Assignment.


A check in the amount of \$1,176.00 is enclosed to cover the required fees for the basic filing fee (\$1,006.00), for the late filing of the declaration (\$130.00) and recordal of the assignment (\$40.00).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 18-0988; 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees); 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims); 37 CFR 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application); and 37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees).

Respectfully submitted,

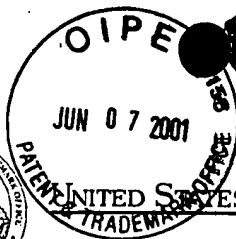
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$296.
  - \$216 for 12 total claims over 20.
  - \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1136.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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